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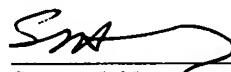
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Michael Byrne et al  
Serial No.: 10/723,464  
Confirmation No.: 8292  
Filed: November 26, 2003  
For: READ-ONLY SERIAL INTERFACE WITH VERSATILE MODE  
PROGRAMMING (now amended to METHOD FOR PLACING A  
DEVICE IN A SELECTED MODE OF OPERATION)

Examiner: Nitin C. Patel  
Art Unit: 2116

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**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action mailed August 4, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this amendment.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this amendment.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this amendment.